THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (c) According to information made available by the State Government, there was a threat to the life of Shri Qazi Nissar from the militants. Apart from general area security arrangements, the State Government had offered security cover in the form of a guard and a PSO to him, but he had not accepted the same.

विदेशी राष्ट्रिकों को नागरिकता

1205. **श्री गोपाल सिंह जी सोलंकी** : क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान तथा 30 जून, 1994 की स्थिति के अनुसार पाकिस्तान, बंगलादेश और नेपाल से जिला-वार अनुमानत: कितने लोगों ने भारत में प्रवास किया ;

(ख) उनके पुनर्वास के लिये क्या कदम उठाये गये हैं/उठाये जाने का विचार है ;

(ग) क्या इनमें से किसी को अब तक भारतीय नागरिकता प्रदान की गई है ;

(घ) इन देशों से ऐसे कितने अभिनेता/अभिनेत्रियां भारतीय सिने उद्योग में आये हैं और बम्बई और कलकत्ता में बस गये हैं तथा क्या इन अभिनेताओं/अभिनेत्रियों को भारतीय नागरिकता प्रदान की गई है ; और

(ङ) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है ?

गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री राजेश पायलट) : (क) सरकार, नीति के तौर पर पाकिस्तान और बंगलादेश के नागरिकों को भारत में प्रवास करने की अनुमति प्रदान नहीं करती है । जहां तक नेपाल के नागरिकों का संबंध है, उन्हें भारत आने के लिये वीजा की शर्त से मुक्त रखा गया है ।

(ख) और (ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठता है ।

(घ) और (ङ) सूचना, केन्द्रीय रूप से नहीं रखी जाती है ।

Steps to check militancy in Jammu and Kashmir

1206. SHRI G.Y. KRISHNAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Pakistan is planning to escalate the level of militancy in Kashmir as borne out by the reports of the US State Department on Patterns of Global Terrorism and of the Task Force on terrorism and Unconventional Warfare "The Kashmir connection", recently tabled in the House of Representatives;

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto; and

(c) the effective measures being taken to battle against Pak Pakistan's escalated militancy in Jammu and Kashmir?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (c) Government are aware of the Reports mentioned in the Question which further confirm the fact that Pakistan is continuing its policy of feulling, aiding and abetting terrorism and subversion in Jammu & Kashmir, by providing training, arms, funds, sanctuaries and logistical support to the terrorists, including infiltration of foreign nationals and mercenaries into the State.

Government have strongly urged Pakistan on several occasions and at various levels to stop its support to subversion and terrorism. Government have also been regularly apprising the international community through diplomatic and other channels about the "proxy war" being waged by Pakistan

in the territory of India, and generally about the dangers inherent in Pakistan's sponsorship of cross-border and international terrorism. At the operational level, steps to contain terrorist violence and to check Pakistan's efforts to step up infiltration, have been intensified together with increased vigilance and patrolling on the Line of Control (LOC), and launching of well coordinated operations against the militants in the vulnerable areas.

Infiltration of Bangladeshis in Western U.P.

1207. SHRI O. P. KOHLI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item captioned "U.P. Government asked to probe reports of infiltration", appearing in the 'Indian Express' dated 27th May, 1994;

(b) if so, whether the Minister of State for Internal Security has asked the Government of Uttar Pradesh to investigate large scale infiltration of Bangladeshis into Western Uttar Pradesh;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the reaction of the Government of Uttar Pradesh thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) According to the information furnished by the State Government of Uttar Pradesh, the reported large scale infiltration of Bangladesh is into Western Pradesh is not true.

Number of foreign mercenaries active in Jammu and Kashmir

1208. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

SHRI TRILOKI NATH CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the estimated number of foreign mercenaries active in Jammu and Kashmir together with their nationality;

(b) the number of foreign mercenaries killed in 1993 and so far in 1994 together with their nationality;

(c) the number of foreign mercenaries who are responsible for rape, extortion and other heinous crimes; and

(d) whether Government are aware that some of the foreign terrorists have entered into Doda District and if so, what special efforts have been made to arrest them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) It is not possible to give the precise number of foreign mercenaries operating in Jammu and Kashmir.

(b) As per available information, 188 foreign nationals/mercenaries were killed in Jammu and Kashmir during 1993 and till June, 1994. These included persons from Pakistan/POK, Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Egypt, Sudan, Lebanon, Beharain, etc.

(c) It is not possible to give the precise number and details of foreign mercenaries involved in such crimes.

(d) The Government are aware of the presence of foreign terrorists in Doda. Anti-militancy operations in the district have been stepped up and additional forces have been deployed for this purpose.